

(1974 Volume and 1982 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Natural Resources
Section 4-701 and 4-702
Annotated Code of Maryland
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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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4-210.

(a) Any person who desires to accept direct or indirect consideration for providing services as a fishing guide shall obtain a [commercial fishing guide] license.

[(b) A person desiring a commercial fishing guide license shall apply annually on forms provided by the Department and pay a fee of \$10. Upon receipt of the application and license fee the Department may issue the license. A commercial fishing guide license expires on December 31 each year.]

[(c)] (B) A commercial fishing guide shall be required to submit reports monthly on forms provided by the Department.

[(d) In addition to any other penalty provided in this title, the Department may revoke or suspend for a period of not less than 10 days, any commercial fishing guide license, after a hearing on at least 10-days notice to the licensee, on the following grounds:

(1) Making a false statement on an application or monthly report; or

(2) Failing to submit reports as required.]

4-701.

(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO ANY PERSON WHO IS REQUIRED UNDER SUBTITLES 2, 7, 8, 9, OR 10 OF THIS TITLE TO BE LICENSED TO GUIDE FISHING PARTIES OR TO CATCH, SELL, BUY, PROCESS, TRANSPORT, EXPORT, OR OTHERWISE DEAL IN FISH CAUGHT IN TIDAL WATERS.

(B) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL UTILIZE A SINGLE LICENSE, CALLED A TIDAL FISH LICENSE. A TIDAL FISH LICENSE SHALL AUTHORIZE THE LICENSEE TO ENGAGE IN EACH ACTIVITY INDICATED ON THE LICENSE.

(C) THE LICENSE YEAR FOR EVERY TIDAL FISH LICENSE SHALL BE FROM SEPTEMBER 1 THROUGH AUGUST 31 OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR. IN ANY